

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 586

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Ed and Andrea Loughry.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly recognize those sterling individuals who dedicate their time and energies to improving the educational system for the youth of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Ed and Andrea Loughry are two such estimable individuals, who were honored by The City Schools Foundation for their support of public education at the 9th Annual Excellence in Education Celebration on February 5, 2016; and

WHEREAS, chartered in 2005, The City Schools Foundation is a group of civic and business leaders who have joined together to benefit the pre-K through sixth grade students of Murfreesboro City Schools, and the foundation serves as a venue for other foundations and corporations to make significant contributions that can impact the school system as a whole; and

WHEREAS, The Foundation seeks to increase the school system's financial support in the subjects of science and math and academic competition and to address financial parity in all schools; and

WHEREAS, Ed Loughry is a sixth-generation native of Murfreesboro, whose ancestor came to Tennessee with a divinity degree from Princeton to open Lascassas Academy. Mr. Loughry is a graduate of Central High School and the University of Tennessee (UT); and

WHEREAS, a banker for fifty years, Mr. Loughry was chief executive officer of Cavalry Banking when the bank merged with Pinnacle National Financial Partners, and he currently serves as vice chair of the board of directors; he is a long-time member of the Christy-Houston Foundation Board, which he also served as chairman; and

WHEREAS, Andrea J. Loughry has taught on the secondary and college levels. She left her tenured position at Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) to start a full-service independent insurance agency, Miller-Loughry-Beach Insurance Services, from which she retired after thirty years; and

WHEREAS, since her retirement, Mrs. Loughry has focused her energies on higher education governance and foundation leadership and has served as vice chair of the UT Board of Trustees, chair of the UT Foundation, and member of the MTSU Foundation; currently, she sits on the Jones Foundation and Siegel Foundation boards, along with the Tennessee Arts Commission; and

WHEREAS, Ed and Andrea Loughry's remarkable success as public servants and civic leaders is directly attributable to their reliance on hard work and common sense and their uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, the Loughrys are wholly committed to the noble precepts that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and they should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we commend Ed and Andrea Loughry upon their recognition by The City Schools Foundation for their support of public education, as we thank them for their unswerving commitment to improving the educational system for the children of Murfreesboro and the State of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.